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GRAYS & TORREYS PEAKS ** DILLON RANGER DISTRICT ALTERNATE ACCESS **

Difficulty: MORE DIFFICULT ** NON-MAINTAINED ROUTE **

Trail Use: Low

Length: 2.84 miles one-way to Grays Peak, 3.56 miles one-way to Torreys Peak **Elevation:** Starts at 11,117 feet and ends at 14,221 feet (highest point 14,242 feet)

Elevation Gain: +3,670 feet - 566 feet = +3,104 feet

Open To: HIKING

Access:

- From I-70 take Exit 205, Silverthorne / Dillon, and travel east on HWY 6 toward Keystone.
- Just past Keystone, turn right onto Montezuma Road (County Road 5).
- Follow Montezuma Road for approximately 4.62 miles to the intersection with Peru Creek Road
 (FDR 260). Follow Peru Creek Road for approximately 4.46 miles to the end of the motorized access
 on Peru Creek Road. Park at the abandoned Shoe Basin Mine and continue on foot.

Trail Highlights:

- This trail is the Alternate Access Route for Grays and Torreys Peaks and is NOT advised for beginner or novice hikers.
- From the trailhead travel approximately .98 miles on the Peru Creek Road to the intersection with the Paymaster Mine access road. Continue straight at the intersection and continue on the old OHV road for approximately .80 miles to Grays Lake.
- From Grays Lake on to the summit of Grays Peak the elevation gain is +1,749 feet in less than 1mile. Also, trail is EXTREMELY difficult to follow because the trail is NOT maintained and hardly visible.
- Traveling this route may cause damage to the delicate alpine tundra that exists above timberline.
- This hike provides an extremely difficult alternative to hiking these two extremely popular "14'ers" from the east side of the Continental Divide.

Important Information:

- <u>The Preferred Access Route begins in Bakersville, Exit 221, on Stevens Gulch Road in the Clear Creek Ranger District, Arapaho National Forest. Please see ROG 36A for complete directions.</u>
- Because this trail travels above timberline, you should begin your hike early in the morning because of the ever changing mountain weather. There is always a strong chance of afternoon thundershowers accompanied by LIGHTNING. Even in summer snowfields remain on the slopes of these peaks.
- There is limited water on this hike so bring plenty of water with you!

PACK IT IN - PACK IT OUT!! LEAVE NO TRACE!!